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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Claims 1-31 are amended.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Security device for holding items, comprising:
a first security member, and
a second security member, ~~which~~ wherein the first and second security members may be joined to are engaged at a closed position for retaining an item,
a lock slide displaceable to a locked position for maintaining the security device in the closed position, and
a latch ~~means~~ for maintaining the locking mechanism lock slide in the locked position, wherein said latch means forming an integral part of is integrally formed as a portion of said lock slide.
2. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said lock slide is displaceably mounted to said first security member, and wherein said latch ~~means are~~ is devised to engage with a stop member cooperating means, arranged on said second security member, in said locked position.
3. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 2, wherein said latch ~~means~~ comprises a spring blade extending from a principal plane of said lock slide.
4. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 3, wherein said spring blade is devised to engage with a the stop member, arranged on said second security member, in said locked position.
5. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 4, wherein said stop member is a shoulder portion on said second security member.

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6. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 4, wherein said stop member is a recessed portion on said second security member.
7. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 4, comprising two or more spring blades and two or more corresponding stop members, spaced apart along said lock slide.
8. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said lock slide is ~~made from~~ a resilient magnetic material.
9. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said lock slide is displaceably mounted to said first security member and has a protruding tooth, wherein said tooth ~~engaging~~ engages with a projecting tab on said second security member in said locked position.
10. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said first security member has a first projecting tab, and said second security member has a second projecting tab, wherein said second projecting tab passes ~~devised to pass~~ adjacent to said first tab when assuming said closed position, wherein said lock slide has a protruding tooth assuming a position between and at least partly overlapping said first and second tabs in said locked position.
11. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 9, wherein said tooth is a bent out portion of said lock slide, protruding from a principal plane of said lock slide.
12. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 9, wherein a plurality of teeth and tabs are provided, spaced apart along said lock slide.
13. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said security members are devised to partly enclose a retained item in the closed position.

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14. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said security members are devised to completely ~~enclosed~~ enclose a retained item in the closed position.
15. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said security members are ~~devised to be~~ joined and locked to each other at respective first ends, and are hinged together at respective second ends opposite said first ends.
16. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said security members are ~~devised to be~~ joined and locked to each other at respective first ends, and devised to be hooked together at respective second ends opposite said first ends.
17. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said security members are ~~devised to be~~ joined and locked to each other at respective first ends, and at respective second ends opposite said first ends.
18. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said first security member is a base member and said second security member is a lid member, ~~which wherein said~~ base and lid members form a box-like structure in said closed position.
19. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 18, wherein said base member has a front wall carrying said lock slide on an inner side thereof, and said lid member has a front wall positioned on an inner side of said lock slide in said locked position.
20. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 19, wherein said lid member has a flange projecting from the front wall thereof, ~~which wherein said~~ flange in said closed position engages with the front wall of said base member and encloses the lock slide in said box-like structure.
21. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said lock slide ~~is devised with maneuver means~~ further comprises a maneuver member projecting through an aperture in a side portion of said first security member.

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22. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, the device further comprising an alarm tag.
23. (Currently Amended) Security device for holding items, comprising:
a first security member, and
a second security member including a stop member, which wherein the first and second
~~security members may be joined to~~ are engaged at a closed position for retaining an item,
a lock slide displaceable to a locked position for maintaining the security device in the
closed position, and
a latch ~~means~~ for maintaining the ~~locking mechanism~~ lock slide in the locked position,
wherein said latch ~~means are~~ is carried on said first security member, and ~~are devised is~~
configured to engage with cooperating means on said second security member the stop member
in said locked position.
24. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 23, wherein said latch
~~means~~ comprises a spring blade extending from a principal plane of said lock slide.
25. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 23, wherein said latch
~~means are~~ is integral with said lock slide.
26. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 24, wherein said spring
blade is devised to engage with a the stop member arranged on said second security member in
said locked position.
27. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 26, comprising two or
more spring blades and two or more corresponding stop members, ~~space~~ spaced apart along said
lock slide.
28. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 26, wherein said stop
member is a shoulder portion on said second security member.

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29. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 26, wherein said stop member is a recessed portion on said second security member.
30. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 23, wherein said latch ~~means are~~ is made from resilient magnetic material.
31. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 23, the device further comprising an alarm tag.